

CHAPTER**27****Main Idea Activities 27.2**
China, Mongolia, and Taiwan**VOCABULARY** Some terms to understand:

- **chopsticks (621):** pair of slender sticks held between thumb and fingers and used chiefly in Asian countries to raise food to the mouth
- **confident (622):** convinced; assured; certain; positive
- **tribute (622):** fee; tariff; levy; dues
- **heirs (622):** people who inherit or are entitled to inherit property
- **seized (623):** took by force; captured
- **famine (623):** great shortage of food
- **textiles (623):** cloth products; fabrics; yard goods
- **innovators (625):** inventors; creators; producers

ORGANIZING INFORMATION For each of the following, write the letter of the correct choice above its date on the time line below.

- a. The Portuguese set up a trading colony at Macao.
- b. Japan invades eastern China.
- c. Rebels under the leadership of Sun Yat-sen form the Republic of China.
- d. Deng Xiaoping comes to power after the death of Mao Zedong.
- e. China's first emperor conquers much of eastern China.
- f. Mongol invaders led by Genghis Khan overthrow the Sung dynasty.
- g. Chinese Communists set up the People's Republic of China under Mao Zedong.
- h. China loses Hong Kong to the British.

**EVALUATING INFORMATION** Mark each statement *T* if it is true or *F* if it is false.

- _____ 1. The Chinese have the longest known continuous history of any culture.
- _____ 2. The Han was the first Chinese imperial dynasty.
- _____ 3. The Ottoman Turks ruled all of China by 1279.
- _____ 4. The first Europeans to reach China were the Spanish.

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- _____ 5. After the death of Sun Yat-sen, Chiang Kai-shek became China's leader.
- _____ 6. After being beaten by the Communists, Chinese Nationalists fled to Taiwan and set up a rival government.
- _____ 7. After Communists took power in China, women had equal status with men.
- _____ 8. Mao Zedong's agricultural programs were a huge success.
- _____ 9. Deng Xiaoping took steps to move China toward a market economy.
- _____ 10. Chinese farmers today are not allowed to grow and sell their own crops.
- _____ 11. By Western standards, China has become a rich country.
- _____ 12. Of the 10 cities with the worst air pollution in the world, none are in China.
- _____ 13. China's population today totals more than 1.2 billion.
- _____ 14. Chinese writing uses more than 50,000 characters.
- _____ 15. The major religions in China are Islam and Christianity.
- _____ 16. The most popular drink in China is tea.

REVIEWING FACTS Choose the correct items from the following list to complete the statements below.

Manchuria

Qin

Mandarin

Han

Chang

Taiwan

1. People began farming along the _____ River as early as 6000 B.C.
2. The term *China* comes from the _____ dynasty.
3. In 1895 Japan captured _____.
4. After Japan took over _____ in the 1930s, it set up a puppet government in the region.
5. The vast majority of China's people are _____ Chinese.
6. _____ is the official language of China.